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Japanese Patent Publication JP3043237 discloses a fishing reel. JP3043237 is equivalent to EP0654216, a copy of which is provided as a translation.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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